

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

### I. Abstract

Please replace abstract with the following abstract:

#### ABSTRACT

The present invention provides a process for the preparation of poly(silyl ester)s comprising a structural unit of the formula (I) ~~(I)~~ wherein the process comprises the step of reacting a polyacid of formula (II) ~~(II)~~ with a polyacyloxysilyl derivative of formula (III) (II) whilst while removing the formed acid group(s) of formula ~~(IV) and (V) and (VI)~~  $R_7Z(O)OH$  (IV),  $R_8Z(O)OH$  (V), and  $R_9Z(O)OH$  (VI) ~~from the system.~~

### II. Specification

On page 1 of the specification, after the paragraph entitled "Cross-Reference To Related Applications," which was added in a September 23, 2005 Preliminary Amendment, please insert the following heading:

#### **Background Of The Invention**

Referring to the specification published as US 2006/0241240, please insert the following heading after paragraph [0012] and before paragraph [0013]:

#### **Brief Summary Of The Invention**

Referring to the specification published as US 2006/0241240, please insert the following heading after paragraph [0018] and before paragraph [0019]:

#### **Detailed Description Of The Invention**